

## THREAT REPORTED IN CASPARI CASE

Police Said to Have Received  
Warning Letter.

BAUR WILL GO TO GOTHAM

Detective to Seek Alleged Accomplice of the Mysterious Prisoner. Believed to Have Clues that Lead to Developments Not Divulged. Fond of Reading Poe's Works.

A new element of mystery was added to the case of Miss Frances A. Caspari last night, when it was stated by a person connected with the detective office that a letter had been received earlier in the day by a high official warning the police department against probing too deeply into the affairs of the "woman of mystery."

The letter is said to have contained threats against those actively engaged in investigating the case, should the investigation proceed too far. Lieut. Peck, night chief of detectives, stated that he had heard nothing of the letter, and could not state whether such an epistle had been received. He said that it was unlikely that such a letter would be received without something being said to him about it.

Detective Frank Baur, who is investigating the case, refused to discuss the matter at all. He maintained strict silence when the letter was spoken of, and neither affirmed nor denied that such a missive had been received.

Written by a Man.

The man giving out the information about the letter declared that he had seen it and that it was written in a strong hand, as if by a man. It was signed "A friend of a person named Caspari." The envelope, he said, was post-marked "New York City." Whom the letter was addressed to, the informant would not say, but he stated that it was in the detective office during the day.

Coming on top of the statement made by Detective Baur and Capt. Boardman, chief of detectives, that it was not believed that a man figured in the case, and that the police would not exert themselves to the end of finding any man, the report of the threatening letter makes it obvious that the investigation into Miss Caspari's affairs has been more far-reaching than was at first supposed. That something of great importance has been learned, and is being closely followed up, seems evident from the secrecy maintained by the police and from their evident activity.

The letter, if it was received at police headquarters yesterday, would indicate that there is a man connected with the case, that his connection with the case is very strong, and that fearing the police are on a clue that will lead to his discovery he is trying to intimidate them by threats.

Not Living Near Capital.

Statements that detectives believed the man wanted in the vicinity of Washington are laughed at by police officials and detectives working on the case. Detective Baur will go to New York to-morrow in an effort to locate the man supposed to be the author of letters found in Miss Caspari's trunk. That the detective will go to New York as planned is accepted as evidence that any clue the police may have to the alleged male accomplice leads to the State of New York, or the adjoining State of New Jersey. If the letter containing the threats is from the man connected with the case, the post-mark would indicate that he is still in New York.

Capt. Boardman said last evening that there were no new developments in the case. He said that nothing new would be learned until replies were received from some of the persons to whom letters have been written, asking for statements regarding their connection with the "woman of mystery." He admitted that Detective Baur might be following other clues.

District Attorney Active.

Since several statements have been given out by persons in the district attorney's office, the greatest secrecy is maintained in that direction, and nothing could be learned of what action the prosecutor is taking in the case. That Mr. Given is kept in constant touch with the evidence gained by the police is not denied, and that some of the attorneys have advanced theories as to the police work is practically admitted.

While the arms of the law are putting forth their best efforts in an endeavor to solve the mystery, Miss Caspari sits in her cell at the jail, reads and writes, and maintains silence. An endeavor was made to communicate with her last night regarding the letter received by the police, but she would say nothing from the press. She would say nothing from the press. She would say nothing from the press.

Miss Caspari is a great reader. Friends say that her favorite author is Poe.

ELECTRIC FIRM PROSPERS.

Orders for Nearly \$1,000,000 Accepted by Schenectady Company. Schenectady, N. Y., July 25.—Orders for nearly \$1,000,000 worth of work have just been received by the General Electric Company.

Most of the work will be done at the plant here. This batch of orders is one of the largest received by the company since the business depression of last fall.

The orders are from the Ishihara Canal Commission, Hitachi & Co., of Japan, the Austrian General Electric Company and the Pueblo Light and Power Company, of Mexico.

HULL IS RE-ELECTED.

Member of Congress Defeats Protray by Forty Votes.

Des Moines, Iowa, July 25.—The complete count in the Congressional contest was made to-night, and it was officially announced that Representative J. A. T. Hull won over Judge S. E. Protray by forty majority in the entire district.

Judge Protray concedes his defeat, and says there will be no further contest.

CLAIMS SOLDIERS BEAT HIM.

Man Dying in Hospital Found Outside Military Reservation.

Chicago, July 25.—The officers at Fort Sheridan are conducting a court-martial to determine the identity of several men, said to be soldiers, who attacked and beat into unconsciousness Rits Cairns, an unarmed man. He is dying in a hospital at Zion City.

Cairns was attacked by the men, who blindfolded him, and then, after beating him, left him senseless on the road, just outside the military reservation. He alleges that soldiers attacked him.

While you think of it, telephone your want ad. to The Washington Herald, and it will be sent you at 1 cent a word.

## CHARLIE TAFT FIXING THE COLORED VOTE.



The candidate's young son is a prime favorite among visitors and natives at Hot Springs, Va. The pictures show him as host to the colored caddies of the golf links, presiding over a feast apparently to their liking.

## PLAN FISCAL TRIP

Monetary Subcommittee to Study Foreign Systems.

EXHAUSTIVE SEARCH PLANNED

While Aldrich Takes One Delegation Abroad, Another Will Determine What Changes Should Be Made in National Banking Administration Laws—Report in Fall.

Providence, R. I., July 25.—The National Monetary Commission, which has been in session at Narragansett Pier all this week, concluded its work to-day.

There was a brief business session, after which Senator Aldrich, as chairman, gave out a statement announcing the appointment of the various subcommittees and the duties entrusted to them. Senator Aldrich's statement is as follows: "The committee during its sessions has been engaged with the important work assigned to it by act of May 31, 1908. The larger portion of the time has been taken up considering plans for getting information on which the report to Congress will be based.

"It is deemed of the utmost importance that steps be taken to make a thorough and exhaustive examination of the monetary and banking systems of the leading commercial nations. This work was entrusted to a subcommittee consisting of Senators Aldrich, Hale, Knox, and Daniels, and Representatives Freeland, Overstreet, Burton, and Padgett.

Seek Detailed Information.

"The committee will seek to get from competent and authoritative sources all available material, historical and statistical, of the experiences of Great Britain, Germany, and France. They will also make special examinations of Scotch, Canadian, and Swedish systems, and of the changes which have recently been made in Switzerland.

"It is the intention of the full commission to visit Canada at an early date for the purpose of making a special examination into the Canadian system. "In its work on the subcommittee will go abroad in the near future, sailing on the Kronprinzessin Cecilie August 1.

"Another subcommittee, consisting of Senators Allison, Burrows, Teller, Money, and Bailey, and Representatives Weeks, Smith, Burgess, and Pule, will take up for immediate consideration the question of necessary amendments to the administrative features of our national banking laws.

Partial Report November 10. "Secretary of the Treasury Cortisou was in conference with the committee with reference to the character of these amendments, and the subcommittee last mentioned expects to be able to report its recommendation to a meeting of the full commission in Washington on November 10. The session of the committee, with reference to all questions, has been harmonious and unanimous.

The last-named subcommittee met after the session of the commission and selected a committee to attend the annual meeting of the National Bankers' Association, which will be held in Denver the latter part of September.

STEVENSON IS IN THE RACE

Former Vice President Candidate for Governorship.

Announces Willingness to Head Illinois Ticket After Securing Bryan.

Chicago, July 25.—Adlai E. Stevenson, of Bloomington, called upon Mr. Bryan to-day at the Auditorium Annex to discuss with him his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for governor of Illinois. After the conference Mr. Stevenson said:

"My name will go on the primary ballot. If the people nominate me for governor on the Democratic ticket, I will make a hard campaign. "Men who are on the inside and know what is going on in Democratic governorship politics declared to-day that while Mr. Stevenson himself may not take an active part in the primary fight, his friends were preparing to take a hand, and a strenuous fight would be made to nominate their candidate.

Blame Dead Boy's Carelessness.

A corner's jury, sitting at the morgue, yesterday gave a certificate of death due to the victim's own carelessness, in the case of the death of Wallace McGrath, nineteen years old, a car cleaner, who was crushed to death in an elevator at the Washington Terminal, Thursday.

First and I streets northwest, Thursday night. The body was turned over to an undertaker for burial.

## TAFT PULLS BABY FROM UNDER CARS

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Arthur I. Vorys, the Taft campaign manager in Ohio, did not meet the candidate at Columbus.

Vorys May Be "Uppish." Some persons believe that Mr. Vorys is still a little "upish" over having lost the chairmanship of the Republican National Committee, but Mr. Vorys' friends declare that he is satisfied with his job as independent manager of the political campaign in Ohio.

At Springfield, Mayor Charles Bowles, a Democrat, led a delegation of 100 men to the train, and Mr. Taft got out and shook hands all around. The Democratic mayor told him that if he would stop off in Springfield a few hours he would show him that all the citizens, Republicans and Democrats alike, are hospitable. Mr. Taft will spend to-morrow resting, preparatory to taking up a series of political conferences on Monday.

"Brother Charlie" to Pay.

"Brother Charlie" is due for another big draft when William Howard Taft is officially notified on Tuesday that he is the standard-bearer for the Republicans. The citizens' arrangements committee has made contracts for \$30,000 worth of fireworks, band, and bunting to celebrate the occasion, and, alas, there is but \$4,200 in the treasury.

The void in the treasury came about through the plan of whooping up the celebration as a great nonpartisan, local-pride affair.

The Democrats did not fall over themselves to get in their acceptance. Gov. Folsom, of Missouri, wrote he had "other engagements." Gov. Hoke Smith, of Georgia, said "official duties" would keep him at home. Gov. Connor, of Alabama, said he wished the affair would be a success, adding, however, by way of caution, "but mark you, I want to see Mr. Bryan elected, but with the least possible damage to Mr. Taft, as we like him."

Glenn Cannot Come.

Gov. Glenn, of North Carolina, said: "I regret that I cannot be present, as it would give me pleasure as a citizen, but not as a politician, to show any respect to our Judge Taft."

Judson Harmon, the Democratic candidate for governor of Ohio, wrote that "a serious illness at home" would keep him away from Cincinnati on Tuesday next; and so it went.

Soon after he reached Cincinnati to-day, the candidate received the following telegram: "The Republican central committee of Colorado sends greetings and unanimously pledges Colorado's electoral vote to you. John F. Vivian, Chairman."

Will Write No Letter.

Taft intends, if possible, to omit altogether a letter of acceptance, allowing his speech to be delivered here on Tuesday to stand as his letter.

If new issues spring up between now and September 1, Mr. Taft will deal with them in a letter, but it will be merely an addenda to his speech.

This will establish a precedent. Other nominees have made their speeches preferentially and treated their issues in detail in their letters. President Roosevelt's letter of acceptance, for instance, contained 15,000 words. Mr. Taft intended to make his speech only about 3,500 words long, but finally decided that it was better to treat the issue fully in the first document.

The speech contains 12,000 words, it is said. Mr. Taft does not believe in the necessity of duplicating his arguments. The letter usually comes out about September 15.

REFUSE WATSON'S PLAN.

Democrats Will Not Combine Electoral Ticket.

Atlanta, Ga., July 25.—The Democratic presidential electors and State executive committee, after a long secret session to-day, refused to ratify the plan to make the Tom Watson-Bryan electors a ticket, in an effort to keep Taft from carrying the State.

"We'll vote for Bryan and no one else," they declared.

Electoral-at-large Safford tendered his resignation. He was the only elector favoring the Watson programme. Another meeting is to be held, at which an effort will be made to settle all differences and induce Safford to reconsider his action.

WIRELESS FROM BALLOON.

Communication Successfully Established in Germany.

Berlin, July 25.—Wireless communication has been established successfully between the motor balloon of an airship battalion and a terrestrial wireless station.

Several messages were exchanged in the course of an hour's flight.

AMERICAN CAR GAINS.

Crosses Russian Frontier in Rapid Rush to Berlin.

Berlin, July 25.—The American car in the New York to Paris automobile race crossed the Russian frontier shortly after 6 o'clock this evening and started rapidly in the direction of this city.

The German car left Cologne at 6 o'clock this evening and the driver expects to arrive in Paris early Sunday.

## TAFT'S BOY CHARLIE

A Lively Youngster of the Old School.

FULL OF FUN AND MISCHIEF

Broke Up a Golf Game at Hot Springs to Preside Over a Watermelon Feast He Provided Negro Caddies—Almost as Popular at Virginia Resort as His Father Is.

Nobody who has ever seen Charlie Taft, the younger son of the Republican nominee for President, would doubt that he is a real boy of the good old-fashioned sort. Fun bubbles out of him like steam out of a teakettle. He keeps the huge Homestead Hotel at Hot Springs, Va. (which is now the actual headquarters of the Republican National Committee), "sitting up" in a pronounced fashion. He is irresponsible in a wholesome, whole-hearted way.

Probably nobody at Hot Springs ever got so much unadulterated sport to the square inch as Charlie is getting out of the campaign capital, and nobody (except, perhaps, his father himself) was ever so popular as a guest.

Everybody from manager to stable boy has a good word for "the kid," as he is affectionately dubbed, and he, on his part, has a smile for everybody. His latest acquisition is golf, and the small negro "caddies" that haunt the greens on the Hot Springs links lead a daily rivalry for the honor of carrying his kit.

Gives a Watermelon Feast.

The other day he rewarded his favorites in a characteristic fashion—by giving them a watermelon feast. During the morning of this event the caddie contingent were observed to be in a state of great excitement. Balls were lost and puttees mixed themselves in a most absent-minded fashion.

Promptly at a certain hour every caddy dropped his bag and fled. The bustle of the links abruptly ceased. For an hour the mystery was unsolved and a raffle of golf sticks stumbled on the solution. On the edge of a hill, hidden from the greens, Charlie Taft was presiding over a gigantic watermelon with a big knife and grouped about him was a crowd of caddies waiting into the pink slices with silent dispatch.

A huge slab of "core" waited in Charlie's hand—a prize for the winner in speed and grace, and Charlie was watching the result with the anxiety of a judge at a bench show. The sight was too good to keep so the discoverer sent a runner up the links and the finish was witnessed by a crowd of several hundreds to the delight of the contestants and the pride of the host.

HIBERNIANS CHANGE LAWS

Materially Amend Constitution at National Convention.

Society Will Be Active in Ireland's Cause, but Individual Members Are Left Free to Act.

Indianapolis, July 25.—To-day's session of the convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians was devoted to the adoption of resolutions and the selection of a place of meeting in 1910, and after considerable balloting Portland, Ore., was chosen.

The amendments to the constitution presented in the form of resolutions provoked a good deal of discussion, but the work was hurried through and final adjournment was taken this afternoon.

The most important amendment to the constitution was embodied in a resolution which provided that former national officers shall not hereafter have a voice in the conventions, they having been accorded the rights of delegates. Hereafter they must be elected as delegates in order to have a place in the conventions.

In respect to the foreign policy of the organization, the following was adopted: "We encourage all movements having for their object the uplifting, regeneration, and freedom of the motherland, still, as a Catholic national organization which has struggled long and faithfully for the highest ideals of the race, we deem proper, in the best interests of our order, not to give, either now or at any other time, our approval or endorsement to any special policy or political movement from without.

"We recognize the individual right of all our members to assist any movement they deem best to elevate Ireland, but, remembering always that the A. O. H. has been generously of treasure and blood for many centuries to disseminate and preserve the purest principles of Irish nationality; and while it yields to no other organization in its love for and loyalty toward genuine Irish nationality, it can neither now nor in the future become the creation of any party or combination of men."

## NO WORD FOR HUGHES

Party Leaders Remain Silent on His Candidacy.

NOT BOTHERED BY SILENCE

New York Executive's Announcement that He Would Again Accept Party Nomination Results in Congratulations from Guests at Saranac Lake Hotel—Woodruff Is Mum.

Saranac Inn, N. Y., July 25.—Gov. Hughes spent the day answering many letters received during the last few weeks from admirers of his work at Albany which had urged him to reconsider his decision not to run for governor again.

The governor had laid aside these letters and to-day he took them up and answered each one along the line of his announcement of yesterday. Many kind greetings were extended the governor to-day by the guests at Saranac Inn when it was learned that he was in the race for governor again. Up to this even- ing, no word had been received by Gov. Hughes from President Roosevelt or Chairman Timothy L. Woodruff, or, in fact, from any of the leaders of the Republican State machine as at present constituted. But this apparently is not worrying the governor. This afternoon he gave Mr. Hughes a two-hour row on the lake and then he resumed his work. Gov. Hughes insists that this is an excellent opportunity to demonstrate to the people whether leaders or party principles would guide the party destiny.

Governor Aims Views.

To use the governor's own words: "Party nominations should accurately reflect the will of the voters. The organization of parties not merely in theory, but in fact, should accord with the spirit of our institutions; it should be democratic and not oligarchic or despotic. It is a perversion of the machinery designed to carry on a free government that those who are elected to office should regard themselves as the appointees of individuals, responsible to them for their acts and dependent upon them for their continuance in political life. Electoral machinery should not be so devised as to enable individuals to thwart or ignore the will of the people by control of the instrumentalities of nomination. Party leadership, if skillful and unselfish, and party organization, if it be inspired in its effort by honorable devotion to party principles, cannot fail to commend just recognition and esteem.

Parties Unwillingly Used.

"There is now prevalent a tendency to use forms of association for purposes the reverse of those for which they have been designed. This is the most important connection with the administration of party affairs because of the absorption of our people in the activities of their business life and the readiness with which control is gained by small bodies of men who are anxious to secure and hold it."

It is unnecessary to say that Gov. Hughes is awaiting with unfeigned interest the response of the Republican State leaders to his announcement. He expects it will be unnecessary for him to make any other move. At least, that is the impression one gets from conversation with the governor on this question.

Stress on Word "Party."

The fact that the governor announced that he would accept a "party" renomination for governor has caused some of the friends of the State Republican machine to intimate that the governor would not take part in an independent political movement should the party managers decide that he would not make a formidable candidate for governor this fall, and that the Republican gubernatorial nomination was not settled with Gov. Hughes' announcement by such means. Such interpretation is evinced in just how the attitude of the Republican State machine toward Gov. Hughes will be manifested.

NEW YORK DISCUSSES HUGHES

State Interested in Announcement of Renomination.

Utica, N. Y., July 25.—The announcement by Gov. Hughes that he is ready to accept a renomination if the Republican party sees fit to confer it aroused wide discussion here to-day among both voters of the Republican and Democratic parties.

Gov. Hughes is popular in Utica, where he has visited many times, and where he has delivered a number of his most important speeches touching things political during the past year and a half.

Albany, N. Y., July 25.—Practically declaring that he believes the renomination of Gov. Hughes may put New York in the Bryan column, William Barnes, Jr.'s views are mirrored in an editorial in his paper, the Albany Evening Journal. It reads in part:

"The statement of Gov. Hughes . . . is timely.

"Primary elections are to be held in the State on August 25 and September 8. The issue can, therefore, be properly raised between those who favor the renomination of the governor and those who believe that such an event would import the governorship and might result in the loss of the State for Mr. Taft."

"The Evening Journal believes from a careful canvass that not 30 per cent of the Republicans of New York favor the governor's renomination."

WILL ACCEPT HUGHES.

Odell Says Organization Wants to Keep Independent Voters.

Newburgh, N. Y., July 25.—Inquiries came to former Gov. Odell to-day from all over the State, asking what he thought of the announcement of Gov. Hughes, that he is a candidate for governor to succeed himself.

Some of the inquiries asked Mr. Odell if, in his judgment, the organization would stand for Hughes for another term, and his opinion of the attitude of the State Republican leaders generally. The requests came in so fast and were so urgent that Mr. Odell finally consented to make a brief statement for publication.

He said he believed the organization will accept Mr. Hughes rather than offend and antagonize the independent voters, who were chiefly responsible for his election over Hearst, although every other candidate on the Republican State ticket was defeated.

"Gov. Hughes' statement is no surprise to me," Mr. Odell said. "It is usually what I have been predicting for the last six months. There is no question but that the organization will accept Mr. Hughes, because to turn him down would cause the withdrawal of independent voters from the support of the Republican State ticket."

## MACK NAMED.

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Mr. Mack is a member of the committee, and it has been felt all the time that the chairman should be taken from the committee, unless there was some weighty reason for going outside, and no reason appeared. Mr. Mack's appointment is a recognition of the Eastern Democracy and an announcement that we expect to fight for New York.

Hall an Old Member.

"Mr. Hall, the vice chairman, was for many years chairman of the Democratic committee of Nebraska. We have worked together in politics ever since I went to Nebraska."

"Mr. Woodson, the secretary, is also an old member. "Gov. Haskell, the treasurer, is one of the new men, but he has made good as a leading member of the constitutional convention of Oklahoma and as governor. His organizing ability will be valuable to the committee."

"We do not know how much our campaign fund will be, but we know that it will not be lost by any bank failure."

Headquarters in Chicago.

The central campaign headquarters will be in Chicago. The exact location of the offices will be determined later. It is planned to open the campaign at once, and to make it a whirlwind affair from coast to coast, with the largest army of campaign spellbinders ever turned out by the Democrats.

In the all-day conference, it was made plain to the leaders that Mr. Bryan intends this shall be an aggressive campaign from the start, and that there shall be no "backward step." The keynote is to be "progressive Democracy," the general plan being to take up the work of President Roosevelt will be charged with having left off.

The central line of battle will be stretched across the Middle Western and Mountain States, and an especial effort will be made, it was announced, to put California in the Democratic column.

The leaders believe that their platform plank pledging legislation that will exclude Japanese pool labor will sweep the Central States, and that California will be swept into the Bryan fold.

Telegram from Waterson.

When the subcommittee convened at 8 o'clock to-night, it was announced that the members of the executive committee would not be made public until Monday or Tuesday of next week. The subcommittee then continued its discussion of campaign plans.

Bryan was the most pleased man in Chicago to-night when he received a telegram from Henry Waterson, of Louisville, declaring he would be glad to accept the chairmanship of the Democratic press committee. This committee, which will be the first real press committee the Democrats have had in many years, will be made up of twenty-five editors of the most prominent Democratic papers throughout the country. The committee will be selected by Waterson and National Chairman Mack, and will probably be announced in Buffalo early next week.

In view of the fact that Waterson fought Bryan in 1896, his warm support of the Nebraska now has given Bryan more joy than anything that has happened since he was nominated.

National Chairman Mack announced to-night that the whole Democratic campaign, New York headquarters will also be established. Chairman Mack predicted that Bryan would carry New York by 100,000 plurality.

JOHNSON NONCOMMITTAL.

Cleveland Mayor Said to Have Offer of Committee Place.

Cleveland, July 25.—Friends of Mayor Tom L. Johnson declared to-day that W. J. Bryan has offered him the position of chairman of the Democratic national finance committee, which has the handling of all the campaign funds, but if this is so, the mayor is not ready to acknowledge it.

He was asked to-day if he had been offered the position, and would make it answer at all. Then he was asked if he would accept such a position, were it offered him. He declined to say.

BRYAN WRITES JOHNSON.

Wants to Know When Governor Can Make Speeches.

St. Paul, Minn., July 25.—Gov. Johnson to-day received a personal letter from W. J. Bryan, requesting his early presence at Fairview, and asking him when he could be available for speaking purposes.

The latter question is asked, Mr. Bryan says in his letter, in view of the numerous requests that have been received for Gov. Johnson for speaking dates in the various States. He says the demand in this respect is general, and hopes the Minnesota governor will be able to give them his attention.

Mr. Bryan refers to the visit made him at Lincoln by the Minnesota delegation and the cordial support tendered him by the individual delegates. It was told then that Gov. Johnson would be available when wanted, and he now hastens to request his presence at Fairview, that details concerning the campaign may be talked over.

Gov. Johnson is not in the city, he being away on a lecture tour, but the contents of Mr. Bryan's letter were wired to him. It is expected that on his receipt Gov. Johnson will go direct to Lincoln.

GETS HER SIXTH DIVORCE.

Los Angeles Woman Separates from Newspaper Man.

Los Angeles, Cal., July 25.—Mrs. Grace Small, Coffin-Coffin Walker, Coffin-Layman-Love was to-day granted her sixth divorce when she was legally separated from Hugh M. Love, a former newspaper man.

Mrs. Love is the daughter of Amos Small, the Chicago banker, who was the victim of a sensational romance many years ago.

SHOWS SHE LOVES CHILDREN.

Little Letter from Mrs. Russell Sage Proves This.